

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1288 - HB 1282

March 18, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Allows institutions of higher education to purchase goods and services through a group purchasing program if:

- The quoted prices are the result of a competitive process and represent the most competitive bid proposal, considering price, quality, and service for the goods or services sought to be purchased;
- The group purchasing program certifies to the governing board that it uses effective competitive procedures to obtain the quoted prices or contracts for goods and services to be purchased; and
- The governing board of the institution has determined that participation in the group purchasing program is in the best interest of institutions of higher education.

In the event of conflict between this act and any other public or private act, the provisions of this act shall prevail.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumes under present purchasing procedures, higher education institutions purchase goods and services at the lowest and best bid.

Institutions of higher education are already utilizing group purchasing to obtain a better purchase price. To the extent, institutions are able to expand group purchasing to more goods and services, there may be a potential for significant savings in future years.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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